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Application No.: 09/806615

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For: RESIN COMPOSITION FOR INK JET RECORDING SHEET, THE RECORDING SHEET, RECORDING METHOD OF THE

SAME, AND METHOD FOR...

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2003 (Paper No. 6), please

amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

CANCEL claim II, without prejudice.

AMEND claims 10, 12, 16 and 18, as follows:

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10. A resin composition for ink jet recording comprising (a) a major component of a water-absorbing polymer compound having a weight average molecular weight ranging between 10,000 and 300,000 represented by the formula (I),

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wherein A consists of

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